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Dearest Sisters,

As we contemplate the beauty of Trinitarian love, God the Father visited our Sao Paulo community, Brazil at 9:30 a.m. today to call to live in joyous intimacy with the Trinity our sister:

**PESCADOR SANTINA – SR. AMALIA**  
**born in Turvo (Tubarao), Brazil on 31 October 1931.**

Sr. Amalia entered the Congregation in the community of Porto Alegre on 3 February 1950. There she underwent her initial formation and also learned the art of printing. She was sent to the Divine Master community, Sao Paulo, to make her novitiate, which concluded with her first profession on 25 January 1953.

As a young professed, she worked in the Sao Paulo typography and was then transferred to Rio de Janeiro, where she carried out capillary and collective diffusion and also the service of driver. From the outset of her formation, her superiors recognized her great generosity in the apostolate and her organizational abilities, both of which sprang from her apostolic zeal. As a member of the Divine Master community, Sao Paulo, she worked in the stockroom for several years, after which she was appointed local superior of the Brasilia community, and then that of Salvador.

At different times, especially from 1972-1978, Sr. Amalia worked as vocation directress in the Cidade Regina community, where she sought to transfuse into the hearts of many young women the apostolic passion with which the Lord had enriched her. In 1975, she wrote to Superior General Sr. Ignatius Balla:


“The only thing I want and ask is to live in intimacy with my Lord, opening myself to him day after day in complete self-surrender and faith, in a spirit of availability toward my community and the apostolate. I truly feel like I have only one thing to do, namely: to adore and thank God for loving me and walking alongside me. I am small and weak but I feel completely enwrapped in his goodness and mercy, living the situations of my daily life in recollection and intimacy with him. I know God loves me because even in desert experiences of darkness, distress and physical and moral sufferings, I feel him close to me and the darkness becomes luminous, infused with the grace of faith, hope and courage. I adore and thank him every day for the grace of the Pauline vocation and I want to love it and get to know it always better. My heart vibrates with emotion for the beauty of my vocation, for the prayer life of our Institute and for its marvelous apostolate. May Jesus, the Faithful One, keep me faithful up to the very end. May he give me an abundance of humility, especially in carrying out his plans, which is the only thing of value, the only thing that gives him glory.”

In 1984, Sr. Amalia was placed in charge of the administration sector of our periodicals and the following year she was assigned to our Sao Paulo Humberto I book center. Following this, she worked in the Brasilia, Maringa, Cidade Regina and Fortaleza book centers successively. With profound faith in the grace of her vocation, she offered titles with great goodness to the people who visited our centers, speaking words of consolation to the poorest of these patrons, who knew they could count on her support and affection.

In 2003, in spite of her fragile health, Sr. Amalia resumed the vocation apostolate in the Belo Horizonte and Cidade Regina communities. She spent the last years of her life in this last house, where she continued to carry out with great love and solicitude various services compatible with her declining health. About a week ago her situation worsened due to a pulmonary embolism, combined with lung and heart problems.

Let us place our dear sister in the loving arms of the Queen of Apostles, whom she loved very much and always considered to be her true Mother and the inspirer of the Pauline mission.

Affectionately,

  
Sr. Anna Maria Parenzan  
Superior General

Rome, 27 May 2018